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When I joined Manchester City, I met a kindred spirit in Will Meredith. We worked off a few training stunts together on the Hyde Park ground. Billy would take the ball at full speed from one end of the field to the other, whisk it across at all angles, and I would be there to trap that cross-kick first time and let fly at Jack Lyall!

Day after day we persevered at corner-kicks, penalty-kicks, and even throwing in the ball. Some laughed at us, and called it unnecessary work, but you may take it from me that no true craftsman will call earnest manipulation of the tools of his calling a waste of time. Concentration, wholeheartedness, and a deep-seated ambition to get on will bring success to the new senior. But there is no shirking. To those who are entering senior football from the minor ranks, I think Alec Raisbeck's advice should be more than useful. I heard my old Liverpool clubmate halting it out to a new recruit at Anfield—

"Be first," said Alec. "Get after the ball. Beat the other fellow; and if you cannot take the leather from him, force parting before he gets settled down. Keep on after it. When a goalkeeper gets a shot, be up. He might drop the ball. Make opportunities and take them quick."

Too many juniors fail because they try too much, refuse to act as instructed, and fancy they know more than those who have been more years in football than they have been minutes. But it has been my experience that, in football as in every other pursuit and calling, hard work is the keynote to success. More work, more study, and we'd have more successful recruits from the junior ranks.

Subscribers are informed that the "Soccer News" is on sale on Friday night at the following branches of the N.S.W. Bookstall: Central Railway Station, Granville, Campsie, Arncliffe, Kogarah, and Balmain Ferry Wharf (the foot of Erskine Street).

formed Ryde Soccer Club which held in Mr. Jack Hibberd's West Ryde Billiard Saloon.

The election of officers resulted as follows:

Secretary and Treasurer: W. Boardman.

President: Mr. Grant.

Vice-Presidents: Messrs. C. Davis, E. A. Heap, R. Cadman, F. S. Pacey, Morrison, E. Norman Cronin, Gus Bowe, and Dr. Bolton.

Delegates: R. Bowers and W. Boardman.

After much discussion it was decided that the club colors should be Maroon and Gold.

Two teams will be entered in the competitions—an all-age and an under sixteen.

#### THE ENGLISH CUP FINAL.

(Continued from page 14). the number of people who intended witnessing an exhibition of their national sport on that day. Many thrilling incidents are recorded of that game, including a delay of forty minutes at the start owing to the playing pitch being invaded, and only when the players appeared on the field and appealed to the crowd was the ground cleared sufficiently to allow the game to begin, and the only as far as the touch and goal lines; in fact, the game was nearly abandoned. Such incidents and many others are associated with practically all big games on the other side, and the first Chinese game of last year is only a fore-runner of what we here may expect in the near future.

#### HINTS FOR CLUB SECRETARIES.

- (1) All protests must be in writing, and in duplicate, and lodged with 10/- fee within two days.
- (2) See that your club always has a ball available.
- (3) See that your players take the field in proper uniform—fines will be enforced.
- (4) Send the result of your match to the Secretary each week, whether you win or lose.
- (5) Send your delegate to the Council Meeting, held on the first Monday in each month.

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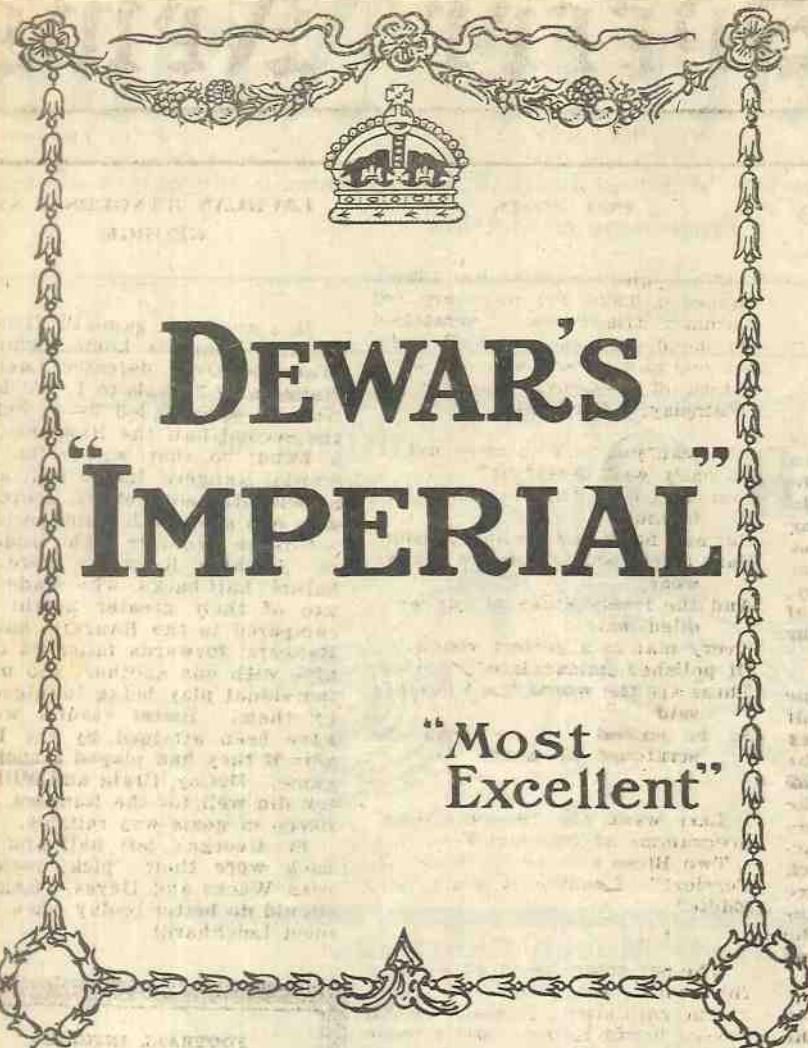
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**JIM CRUM.**

Sydney Club Explains.

Mr. V. Paling, Hon. General Secretary, writes as follows:

On behalf of the selectors of the Sydney Club, I wish to announce that we were sorry to part with Jim Crum, the representative full-back, who signed on and played in the practise games.

When Jim joined up it looked as though we would need a couple of first-class defenders, but since

that Montgomery offered to stand down if it would benefit the team, but the remaining selectors were convinced that the backs must be Montgomery and Crum, or Montgomery and Smart.

Preference was given to Smart, not that he was considered a better back than Crum, but because he served the club so well last season, and it was considered inadvisable to exclude Smart, even for such a splendid representative full-back as Jim Crum.

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We knew many first division clubs would be very anxious to secure Crum's services, and Jim takes the Sydney Club's best wishes to his new team, Pyrmont Rangers, where we hope he will display that great form which made his name with the Pyrmont Club.

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# The Soccer News

## Editorial

### OUR VISITORS.

To-morrow the Canadian team is due to arrive in Sydney, and a hearty welcome awaits it throughout the whole of Australia. In Sydney special efforts are being made to ensure them the most enjoyable stay possible. They are to be housed at the Hotel Sydney, and have been granted the use of the Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium for training purposes.

The Lord Mayor will welcome them at the Town Hall, on behalf of the citizens of Sydney, at 11 o'clock on Monday, while the Commonwealth Association will tender its official glad-hand to the team on Monday night. Arrangements are being made for a harbour excursion on the launch "Premier," and the local theatre managements have issued invitations for the members of the touring party at the various shows.

Association functions will be held on May 10th and 17th, after the matches, while facilities for training are available at the Show Ground. It will be seen that the standard of our tours is steadily rising, and in this the Soccer Code is able to more than hold its own easily, and it is a matter of great gratification to the Code, to be able to treat its visitors in a generous way. It is our desire to show the Canadians by our warm welcome that we are glad to have them in Australia, and to make them sorry to leave us.

"Granville" Robertson, the left wingey of Gladesville, is that club's sole representative in the selected men for training for the Canadian match. Robertson is a two-footed player, and knows the game alright. His tendency to let him opponent "rule" him is often, however, his undoing.

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The youngster who listens to the voice of experience and profits thereby, is on the right "tack."—"Soccer News." Getting down to tin-tacks, so to speak.

## LACHLAN RANGERS v. ST. GEORGE.

In a good fast game St. George, on the Ranger's home ground, Waterloo Oval, defeated Lachlan Rangers by 3 goals to 1. At half-time St. George led 2—0, but in the second half the Rangers took a hand, so that when Vic. Edwards, Rangers' inside left, after a beautiful solo effort, scored a gem of a goal, both teams received a further incentive. The undoing of Lachlan Rangers were the Saints' half-backs, who made full use of their greater height as compared to the Rangers' halves. Rangers' forwards failed to combine with one another; too much individual play being indulged in by them. Better results would have been attained by the Rangers if they had played a spoiling game. McCoy, Craig and Millington did well for the Rangers, also Berry in goals was reliable.

St. George's left half and left back were their pick, together with Weeks and Hayes. Rangers should do better to-day when they meet Leichhardt.

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## TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

## First Grade.

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Second Division.—Lachlan Rangers v. Leichhardt, Wentworth Park, 1.45 (Boyd); St. George v. Rangers v. Bal. Scottish, Ibrox 3.15 (Court).

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## All the News

By P. J. Sheppard.

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The winner will be hard to pick, but to make a choice I will choose the Blues.

No report is to hand from Neath or Mayfield. All reports

for insertion in the "Soccer News" to be forwarded to P. J. Sheppard, Hon. Secretary, not later than Tuesday each week. Also teams for programme must be forwarded not later than Tuesday.

The junior match prior to the big match is between Swansea and the newly-formed Islington team this team being mainly the successful Hamilton 4ths of last season. Swansea appear to be a fairly strong eleven, and have some well-seasoned players amongst them. The match should be a good curtain-raiser.

Adamstown defeated West Wallsend three times in 1923, viz., at Adamstown, 3 to 1; At Tramway, 1 to nil, in Ellis Cup, and in the semi-final, 2 to nil.

#### PERSONAL.

Player Broad, of Auburn, last year, and Sydney, was an onlooker on the Sydney Cricket Ground No 2 on Saturday last. Broad has been placed on the open transfer list, and it is said may turn out for Bal. Fernleigh.

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With him was Stobie, ex-Balmain Fernleigh, who has secured a permit to play second grade with Fire Brigades. Fernleigh could do with him badly enough; still the Fire Brigades need him more if they are to improve on their exhibition of last Saturday.

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Fred Yabsley, one of the fastest outside lefts that has played of recent years, at least in Sydney is a spectator on account of a ricked knee sustained in a Cronin Cup match at Ibrox Park in the last match of season 1922.

Fred was hopeful of turning out again for Fernleigh this year, but his knee still troubles him.

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## INTELLIGENT PLAY.

An Urgent Need.

By "South's Sec."

Coincident with the starting of a new season there is a fresh feeling of optimism abroad. All the clubs are hoping they are going to have a fine time. They are confident in their power to do well. It is a good thing that these sentiments prevail, although there is bound to be a shattering of hopes before next September. Still, I wish every club a pleasant season. That only can be brought about by clean, hard, determined football. We want football of an intelligent type, not merely kicking the ball aimlessly, without any thought of what is going to happen.

It is delightful to go to a match and see players using their brains in a constructive manner. Some men appear to be always on the alert as to the trend of play and anxious to do nothing that will militate against the success of their side. This is obvious when a player is watching the movements of his opponents with a view to keeping in play himself, and if necessary coming back a few yards so that, if the ball is drafted in his direction, he will be able to take advantage of the opening without being off-side.

## Many Ways.

There are many other ways in which a man can show his adaptability, such as by calling for the ball when he is unmarked, or telling his partner to pass it through. Such anticipation reveals intelligence, and helps to make the game better. While we do not want selfishness on the field, I hope we shall have more individual play. There is a vast difference between individual play and selfishness. A man should not stick to the ball until he is hemmed in by opponents or cling to it when by a pass he might furnish a colleague with an opening for obtaining a goal; but he is wise not to part with the ball immediately he is challenged by an opponent, if by retaining it he can draw the defence, and then

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There are, however, two necessities in playing football that players seem to forget. Every one must use his eyes, must constantly sweep the field with comprehensive glances, or else he is useless. The eyes should set every man thinking, using his wits. If there is no summing up, no estimating, no sense of what is likely to happen next, then the game can be made a farce. It is turned into a farce when a forward is so blind and therefore so stupid that he cannot see when a back is going to adopt tactics which place him off-side, at least the man who has the ball can go on himself. It is far easier for attackers and the man who has the ball to beat the back. The side which has the ball possesses the advantage, and yet they allow a back without playing the ball to rob them because some men will not use their eyes, and will not foresee what is going to happen. Therefore, be intelligent, use your eyes and brains, and better football the spectators will see.

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GLADESVILLE.

PYRMONT RANGERS.

(Red)

(Blue with White V and White Cuffs)

J. Fowler

F. Anderson

1—E. Pont 2—J. Lyons

2—J. Crum 1—S. Robinson

3—W. Dey 5—D. Fowler

5—J. Shipley 3—C. Timms

4—W. Maizley

11—G. Kelso

7—G. Macfarlane 9—H. Henson

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#### BILL MAUNDER.

Everyone, both player and follower of Soccer, will be deeply sorry at Bill Mauder's hard luck in breaking an arm at the elbow, in last Saturday's game in the Newcastle competitions. This will mean that Bill's team will lose him for the whole of the season, and they will feel this keenly. Newcastle is especially proud of Mauder; his reputation as centre-forward is known all over Australia, he having won many representative honors. The sympathy of the clubs goes to him, with best wishes for a speedy recovery. The Council of the N.S. Wales Association last week decided to despatch to Bill its regrets and deepest sympathy.

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2—G. SMART

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Halves:

3—W. H. WILSON

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4—L. FORRESTER or 11—E. DAWES

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9—H. J. SHERRINGHAM

7—G. TURNER

9—F. HANCOCK

6—J. BURNS 8—T. ROBSON 10—F. MELLAR-SMITH

Reserve:

12—A. Owen.

11—W. Broad

8—E. VIDLER

13—R. Smith

Reserves:

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EARLY 1.45 p.m.

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Referee: Mr.

#### LEICHHARDT.

(Red)

Goalkeeper:

W. CARR

Full Backs:

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2—M. TAIT

Halves:

4—J. DODDS

5—J. RAE

Forwards:

9—T. STACEY

10—J. ADAMSON

7—W. KERR

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Reserves:

11—C. Wilson

12—D. Gordon

#### LACHLAN RANGERS.

(Royal Blue with Gold Sash)

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Full Backs:

1—G. McCOY

2—W. GOLDFINCH

Halves:

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5—R. MILLINGTON (Capt.)

3—R. PARR

4—A. CRAIG

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(Blue and Gold Halves)

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2—W. BYERS

Halves:

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## Protestant Churches Association

### THE OPENING.

The above Association opened its season last Saturday by staging twenty-two matches. Thanks to the magnificent work of management, not only were we able to provide all our own teams with grounds, but was able to assist our friends, the M.J.F.A., by providing them with a ground.

In First Grade some very good games were seen. Lakemba Congs. A v St. Paul's provided an interesting match, both sides exhibiting good football. Secretary Watson, Licyard, Nielson and Wilson were the pick of the field, the scores being 2-2. Another draw was the result of the St. Aidan's A, St. John's Bal. A match, Bentley and Dunford, together with both goalies, played well. If St. John's want to have victories they should pass the ball more. Thanks to Alder and Lindsay, Hurststone Pk. Congs. managed to send four past Ryde Meth. Custodian, and you want to buck if you hope to "rep." this year, Naylor. Drum. Bapt. were decidedly off color, and allowed Alex. Mission A to walk all over them. Archer was in great fettle for Marrickville Pres., and they owe it to him that they drew with H. of Trinity vbgkqea drew with Holy Trinity. If S. White cares to look after himself he should do well this year. Croydon have some fine players in Redfern and Kinsless. Both goalies gave good exhibitions. Newtown Congs. A, which team is playing many of St. Alban's Ult. B. proved too good for Dulwich Hill Bapt. Wells and Can put up a good losing fight, while Marsden and Stammers were always there for Congs. Botany Meth. A had a fairly easy time, thanks to Warren, Bullock and Buchly, though Judd and Broome did well for the Green and White. Enmore Tabs. figured badly on their return, suffering a great hiding from Alex. Congs. A few Stanhopes are urgently required.

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Gil Turner is a product of Annandale, and is a fine forward when in the mood. He misses his cobber, "Dutchy" Phillips, this year, for Dutchy has thrown in his lot with Kurri Kurri. Turner played inside right on Saturday, but is perhaps better suited in

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3—A. Creighton 5—R. White  
4—G. Storey (Capt.)

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#### To-day's Team.

Canterbury's team for to-day against St. George is as follows:—Midgley Lang, James, McLaren, Dean, Rawe, Metcalf, Chapman, Free, Cook, Swann; reserves: Cope, White, Blanksby, and C. Prout.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT

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Long Bay v Kia Ora v Nestles; St. Peter's Kans. v Banksmeadow Rovers; Bondi Beach v Punch Park; Manning Rovers v Botany Rechabites.

## THE RYDE CLUB.

The new Ryde Club is starting its first season with great hopes for success. We are entering teams in the A and C divisions.

The C team have already proved their mettle in practice games. They defeated Gladesville by one to nil, and on Saturday last put it over Drummoyne to the tune of six to nil.

There is some good material in this team, and with help of Jeff Trafford, who is looking after their interests, they should have a good deal to say in the ultimate destination of the medals.

The A team kept their end up well by defeating Concord B by seven to nil on Saturday. They need not sit back, however, on the strength of this, as Concord are new to the game, and will doubtless be a different proposition when they have played a few competition matches.

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By J. McDougall.

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In 1875 Soccer was first played in America, and unfortunately the game did not make much headway in the South, but in 1880 some Scotchmen (the actual pioneers of Soccer throughout the Empire), found more encouragement in Canada, where their efforts met with great success. The Western Association of Ontario was formed first, and in 1882 had some forty

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 4—A. Henderson  
 7—H. Winter 9—J. Heaney  
 6—S. Bourke 10—F. Ramsay  
 8—G. Milner

## Reserve:

11—E. Sarchfield

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(Black and White Halves)

L. Evans.

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## HOW TO PLAY SOCCER.

## Hints and Rules.

Compiled by Ralph H. Midgley.

In compiling these notes on our game, I have closely followed the writings of leading players and officials in Great Britain, and the Referees' Chart, 1923 edition.

These, together with my own experience and observation of the finer points of the game, will I trust prove helpful to our players in consolidating their team work.

## The Value of Combination.

I must impress upon players, firstly, the absolute necessity of combined team work. This is the foundation of our game, and efficiency can only be obtained by it. Individuality has never been known to make a great team. Certainly a good player should be able to defeat an opponent with craftsmanship in footwork, but only for constructive purposes—don't overdo it. An attacker who is capable of mixing his methods is infinitely more difficult to stop than one with only one trick in his "knowledge box." Strive to become efficient by playing "to"

first exploited, I think, by that greatest of all English combinations, Aston Villa, and so ably illustrated to us by the recent visiting Fleet team, is, in my opinion, of the utmost importance in getting the best results from any forward line. The wing half-backs should collaborate with their inside and wing forwards in an attack, and always be just behind their front pair ready to receive a back pass, thus making an additional forward as the occasion demands. Remember attack is the best defence. The oftener your forwards are kept on the attack the fewer opportunities your opponents will have.

## Skying the Ball a Great Fault

A common fault with most of our players is "skying" or "ballooning" the ball. This is caused by players not kicking the ball correctly. Learn to shoot with the instep and not the toe of the boot. By using the toe you invariably raise the ball. Also use the side of the boot when passing the ball; you will find you have far more control in placing a ball correctly than with the toe, and what is all important you will be able to keep the ball on the ground. A pass along the turn a man can gather in his stride, but when, as so often happens, the ball comes down from the clouds

## COUNCIL MEETING.

Metropolitan Association.

The Council meeting of the Metropolitan Association, due to take place next Monday night, at the Sports Club, has been postponed till the following Monday May 12th.

All Councillors are requested to take this as the official intimation.

The action is taken on account of the fact that the Commonwealth Association has arranged the official reception to the Canadians for Monday, May 5th.

## CANTERBURY CLUB.

The Canterbury Club announce that they are badly in need of an outside left, and will welcome a new member to the club meeting to try out in this position.

Anybody interested is asked to write to R. H. Midgley, 493 Kent Street, Sydney.

## THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

The following minutes of the English Football Association make interesting reading:—Law 6. Offside: The Committee having communicated with a referee continually stopping play and ordering free kicks, when players although in offside positions, were not interfering with an opponent or with the play, decided that the attention of referees be again called to the following decision of the Council:—

"Play should not be stopped and a player given off-side under Law 6 because a player is in an off-side position. A breach of the Law is only committed when a player who is in an off-side position interferes with an opponent, or with the play."

A letter was considered from Durham F.A., requesting a decision upon the following:—Who does the jurisdiction of a referee over the players actually commence?

The committee expressed the opinion as follows:—A referee has power to deal direct with a player for any breach of the law of the game after he has signalled for the play to commence, while



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